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SUBJECT: SIHANOUK SUPPORTER VISITS STOCKHOLM

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1. THE SWEDISH PRESSREPORTED FEB. 21 THAT CHAU SENG, DESCRIBED AS A FORMER MINISTER IN THE GOVERNMENT OF PRINCE SIHANOUK, VISITED STOCKHOLM THIS WEEK ON A TOUR OF EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. IN STOCKHOLM CHAU SENG MET WITH FOREIGN MINISTER SVEN ANDERSSON AND SECRETARY OF STATE LENNART KLACKENBERG.

2. ACCORDING TO THE STOCKHOLM PAPER DAGENS NYHETER, CHAU SENG TRIED TO PERSUADE THE FOREIGN MINISTER TO RECOGNIZE THE GRUNK, BUT ANDERSSON REPORTEDLY REFUSED, POINTING OUT THAT SUCH ACTION WAS NOT POSSIBLE AS LONG AS PHNOM PENH REMAINS THE CAPITAL OF THE LON NOL GOVERNMENT. AT A PRESS CONFERENCE CHAU SENG CLAIMED THAT PHNOM PENH AIRPORT

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WOULD BE CAPTURED "WITHIN A COUPLE OF WEEKS" AND THAT

AFTER THAT, NO SUPPLIES COULD BE DELIVERED TO THE CAPITAL.
WQT HAPPENDS AFTER THAT "DEPENDS UPON THE AMERICAN REACTION,"
CHAU ASSERTED, ADDING THAT HE DID NOT RPT NOT THINK THE US
WOULD INTERVENE WITH ITS OWN FORCES, ALTHOUGH IT MIGHT
SEND IN "MERCENARIES" FROM THAILAND AND ELSEWHERE.

3. THE PAPER QUOTED CHAU SENG AS REJECTING A POLITICAL
SOLUTION TO THE CAMBODIAN CONFLICT, ASSERTING THAT SIHANOUK
WOULD NOT NEGOTIATE WITH "THE TRAITORS IN PHNOM PENH."
THE ONLY SOLUTION TO THE CONFLICT, HE CONCLUDED, IS THE
MILITARY "LIBRATION" OF THE CAPITAL. END UNCLASSIFIED.

4. BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL
(KARLSSON) WHO WAS PRESENT AT ANDERSSON-CHAU SENG MEETING,
HAS INFORMED EMBASSY THAT PRESS REPORTS THAT LATTER HAD
TRIED TO PERSUADE GOS TO RECOGNIZE GRUNK ARE INCORRECT.
ACCORDING TO KARLSSON, QUESTION OF RECOGNITION OF GRUNK
WAS NOT RAISED AT MEETING. MAIN PURPOSE OF CHAU SENG
VISIT TO STOCKHOLM, KARLSSON SAID, WAS TO BRIEF GOS ON
CURRENT MILITARY SITUATION IN CAMBODIA AND TO THANK GS
FOR ABSTAINING ON VOTES IN UNGA ON CAMBODIAN QUESTION.
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